

## ⚡ Directions for Administering S.T.A.A.R.S.-Science and Social Studies. ⚡

1. At the annual IEP meeting, a decision is made whether the student will participate in the state assessment with or without modifications or the alternate assessment. If a student will take the alternate assessment, then the STAARS-Science and Social Studies will be administered with the Dakota STEP-A in order to assess all academic areas assessed on the Dakota STEP.
2. Complete the S.T.A.A.R.S.-Science and Social Studies Assessment Forms in the following order:
  - A. Identify one indicator and a functional standard from that indicator for **each** goal in Science and Social Studies.
  - B. Record the types of documentation: project, assignment, test, journals, portfolio, etc...
  - C. Determine who will be responsible for data collection: Special Education Teacher, Aide, Speech Teacher, parent/guardian, etc...
3. **During the assessment window**, collect two samples for each functional standard selected on the S.T.A.A.R.S.-Science and Social Studies Assessment Forms.
4. Evaluate the student's samples on the selected functional standards and document on S.T.A.A.R.S.-Science and Social Studies Assessment Forms under Evidence of Learning.
8. Score each sample according to the rubric at bottom of the Assessment Form.
9. Average score of both samples per goal by adding them together, then divide by two.
10. Add up total score for all five (Science) and four (Social Studies) goal averages and divide by five (Science) and four (Social Studies). (**Round to the nearest whole number: 2.3 = 2 or 3.5 = 4**). These are the student's Science and Social Studies Scores.
11. Share the Science and Social Studies Assessments with the student's parent/guardian.
12. One Copy of the Science and Social Studies Assessment Forms will be given to the parent/guardian.
13. Place one copy of the Science and Social Studies Assessment Forms in the cumulative folder.
14. **DO NOT** send the Science and Social Studies Assessment materials to the South Dakota Department of Education.